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(SBU) DCM spoke with MFA Under Secretary for bilateral affairs Sheikh Abdul Aziz al Khalifa February 7 concerning UNIFIL. Pol/Econ Chief followed up with MFA Americas Desk Officer Hind Kamal on February 11 to encourage the GOB to contribute to the UNIFIL mission (reftel). Both replied that the GOB supported the UN's role in Lebanon, but said that it was unlikely Bahrain would be able to contribute troops to UNIFIL.

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